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Los Angeles Art Association Joins Beverly Hills artSHOW to Celebrate its 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Four Block Art Show to Feature Emerging Los Angeles Talent plus Nearly 250 Artists, Family Art Projects, and More on May 17 and 18

Beverly Hills, Calif. - The Los Angeles Art Association, a non-profit association and gallery dedicated to furthering the careers of Los Angeles area artists, will present two witty contemporary artists, new to the Beverly Hills artSHOW on May 17 and 18. **Annie Terrazzo** works with two-dimensional found objects and **Nicholas S. Coroneos** with more traditional painting and sculpture materials, occasionally using non-traditional items. Both artists use humor and word play to disturbing, surprising effect. Visitors will find their display across from the newly restored Lily Pond, just south of the famous Beverly Hills sign.

Nicholas Coroneos began his fine art career as a prolific painter, and has more recently produced a large body of work featuring sly bronze sculptures, which will be showcased at the event. Originally from Frankfurt, Germany, he studied advertising design and worked as a draftsman for an engineering firm while simultaneously pursuing his education in art and art history.

Annie Terrazzo's wit begins with her biography, which states, "There is great beauty to be found. Sometimes you have to go through the trash to find it." After Annie graduated from the Academy of Art in San Francisco, she began her career in "trash portraiture", mostly focusing on found objects, newspapers, and magazines. She creates artwork that the viewer can both see and read. Annie grew up in Breckenridge Colorado, where she spent most of her time writing plays on a 1970's typewriter while watching old movies and dreaming of Paris.

The highly anticipated Beverly Hills artSHOW is scheduled for Saturday, May 17, and Sunday, May 18, 2014, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. In honor of the show's 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary, which is traditionally represented by a ruby gemstone, the event will feature a "ruby" theme. Professional jewelry artists, glass artists, and painters who regularly work with this stone or color will contribute to the artSHOW's 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary darkly rosy theme.

"In its 40 years, the show has attracted thousands of popular, stylish artists, and enthusiasts from around the world to the City's business district and surrounding community," says Steve Zoet, Beverly Hills Community Services Director.

In honor of the City's Centennial anniversary, painters with great skill in the fine art of rendering water will gather around the newly rebuilt, century old Lily Pond, to demonstrate their technique and their work.

Along with 240 nationally selected artists highlighted along four blocks of Beverly Gardens, a wine garden, a beer garden, food trucks, and family art projects will be provided for people of all ages to enjoy.

All art is for sale, and patrons come from Southern California and beyond to shop, collect and celebrate this art-filled weekend. Artists whose work is at the show will be on site to talk with visitors and patrons.

The 2014 Beverly Hills artSHOW sponsors and media partners include: Hornburg Jaguar Los Angeles, Sotheby's Realty, David Frank Design luxury swings, the Los Angeles Art Association, the LA Weekly, KPCC, The Whole 9 Gallery and Peace Project, Fabrik Magazine, Yelp, Whole Foods Market, Waiakea Hawaiian Volcanic Water, Paley Center for Media, and the Beverly Hills Conference and Visitor's Bureau. The show's charitable partner is Children's Hospital Los Angeles, and its sister organization, Healing Art with Kids.

All artSHOW activities occur at the historic Beverly Gardens and admission to both days is free. Beverly Gardens is located along Santa Monica Blvd., from Rodeo Drive to Rexford Drive. Convenient, inexpensive parking is available during the artSHOW directly across from the show grounds.

For general information about the 2014 Beverly Hills artSHOW, visit <a href="www.beverlyhills.org/artshow">www.beverlyhills.org/artshow</a> or call (310) 285-6830. For media inquiries, contact Heather Sumagaysay at <a href="https://hsumagaysay@beverlyhills.org">hsumagaysay@beverlyhills.org</a> or call (310) 285-2530.